RECREATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES – July 23, 2014 (approved 10/22/14)

ATTENDING: Don Field, Michael Gerald, Frank Musiek, Howard Raphaelson

STAFF: Curt Vincente

GUESTS: none

A. Call to Order –In the absence of Chairman S. Dyer, D. Field called the meeting to order at 7:39pm.

- B. Approval of Minutes H. Raphaelson moved and M. Gerald seconded that the minutes from the April 23, 2014 meeting be approved and the motion passed unanimously.
- C. Co-Sponsorship Update C. Vincente reported that the request submitted by the Mansfield Little League for a new scoreboard sponsorship sign on Southeast Field B was approved by the Town Council.
- D. Old Business C. Vincente gave a brief update on membership, facility usage and discussed current marketing campaigns. C. Vincente discussed the status of the membership fee change for resident additional household members. The program was successful as the goal set for new memberships to off-set the loss in additional member fees was reached. C. Vincente noted fee recommendations that staff are working on, including 1) rolling the additional household member fee program out to non-residents since it was successful with residents, and 2) consideration for slight fee increases since there has not been an increase in seven years. Committee members reacted favorably to the non-resident program, and expressed mixed views on the fee increases. Formal fee recommendations will be discussed in more detail at the next meeting. C. Vincente noted that the Town Council approved the new Fee Waiver Ordinance changes that will go into effect on July 1. RAC members expressed their unanimous support for the proposed smoking ban in town parks.
- E. Correspondence None
- F. New Business C. Vincente briefly reviewed the spring quarterly report and gave a brief update on ongoing summer programs. C. Vincente discussed the UConn CSA collaboration and RAC members gave their unanimous support for this venture.

Having no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:17pm.